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(57) Abstract: The present invention pertains to a method for preventing and/or treating epithelial tissue damage, such as is effected by inflammatory reactions, ageing or cancer and/or to prevent and/or treat hair loss. In particular, the present invention relates to substances and/or compositions modifying, in particular blocking endogenous CD<sub>14</sub> function. According to another aspect the present invention also provides a method for screening for compounds suitable for use in the method and the composition of the present invention.

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